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SYNCHRONIZING RELATED DATA  
ELEMENTS IN DISPARATE STORAGE  
SYSTEMS **(IBME-0001DIV)**

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**AMENDMENT**

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**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Office Action dated January 30, 2006.

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.